

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF

Art Unit: 1614

KNEISSEL ET AL.

Examiner: Amy A. Lewis

APPLICATION NO: 10/563,707

FILED: JANUARY 6, 2006

FOR: USE OF RAPAMYCIN AND RAPAMYCIN DERIVATIVES FOR THE
TREATMENT OF BONE LOSS

Commissioner for Patents
PO Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Sir:

The Office Action of September 16, 2008 has a shortened statutory time set to expire on December 16, 2008. A three-month extension is hereby requested pursuant to 37 CFR §1.136(a).

Please charge Deposit Account No. 19-0134 in the name of Novartis in the amount of \$1110 for payment of the extension fee. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees under 37 CFR §1.17 which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Account No. 19-0134 in the name of Novartis.

Respectfully submitted,

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